REMARKS

Claims 1, 11, 32, 36 and 42 have been amended. Claims 1, 3-5, 9, 11, 13-15, 19, 22-24, 27, 29, 30, 32 and 36-53 remain in the application.

The Examiner has objected to claims 11 and 42 on the basis that "flexible outer layer" should instead be "flexible outer membrane". These claims have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's requirements.

The Examiner has objected to claim 32 on the basis of spelling errors appearing in lines 14 and 17. Claim 32 has been amended to correct these errors.

The Examiner has objected to claims 1, 11, 32, 36, 42 and 48 on the basis that it is unclear from the claims what the glass laminate consists of. These claims have been amended

Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the glass laminate consists of the ultra-thin glass layer, the polymer layer and the adhesive layer between them. The claim has been additionally amended to indicate that the flexible membrane as a whole additionally comprises an area insulator applied in a peripheral band to the lower surface of the polymer layer, the area insulator comprising an ultraviolet ink film.

Claim 11 does not refer specifically to the glass laminate, but rather to the flexible membrane including the elements of the glass laminate, as well as the area insulator layer referred to above in respect of the amendment to claim 1. Claim 11 has been additionally amended in the preamble to consistently refer to a "conductive" surface as opposed to "conducting" surface.

Claim 32, like claim 11, refers to the flexible membrane per se, and includes the elements of the glass laminate without specifically referring to the glass laminate as a separate component. The claim has been additionally revised editorially for greater clarity and definiteness.

Claim 36 has been amended to delete reference to the glass laminate and instead now refers to the flexible membrane as a whole, including all of the elements of the glass laminate.

Claim 42 is believed to be in correct form as it is, but has been slightly amended to once again refer more consistently to a "conductive" surface rather than a "conducting" surface.

Claim 48 refers to the flexible membrane as a whole, including the individual elements of the glass laminate, without referring to the glass laminate as a separate element. Otherwise, the claim is believed to be properly structured and definite and is therefore unamended. Applicant is requesting a one-month extension of time with this Amendment, and including the appropriate fee.

In view of the foregoing submissions and amendments, the claims now in the application are submitted to clearly and patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be therefore in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration towards that end is therefore respectfully requested.

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